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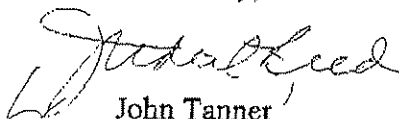
Ms. Diana L. Varela  
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Dear Ms. Varela:

This refers to the revisions to the June 2006 Elections Procedures Manual, as identified in your June 26, 2006, letter, for the State of Arizona, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on June 27, 2006.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified changes. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the changes. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act (28 C.F.R. 51.41).

Sincerely,

  
John Tanner  
Chief, Voting Section